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PATENT APPLICATION**

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Art Unit:	3727
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I believe the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

DECOMPOSABLE CONTAINER HAVING A MULTIPLE-PART COVER

(Title of the Invention)

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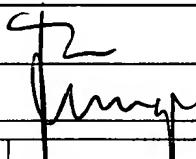
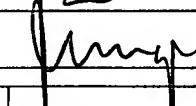
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